Charlotte Cocker Rescue of NC PO Box 1050 Kannapolis, NC 28081

Adoption Application (Modeled after CSAC)

Carefully check each dog's page before you apply. You will see pertinent contact information at the bottom of each. Make certain to contact the person listed about the dog you wish to adopt. YOU MUST COMPLETE EACH QUESTION ON THIS APPLICATION. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. PLEASE ANSWER EACH QUESTION IN AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE, PROVIDING PHONE NUMBERS AND APPROPRIATE CONTACT PERSONS AS REQUESTED.

Name of Dog(s) You Wish to Adopt:

Applicant Name:	
Address:	
Home Phone:	
Work Phone:	
Cell Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	
Why do you want to adopt a dog?	

1. What do you think are the most important responsibilities in owning a dog?

2. Why do you want to adopt a Cocker Spaniel in particular?

3. How long has it taken you to decide to adopt a Cocker Spaniel?

4. Are you willing to take the time to work with a dog on housebreaking issues, should the need arise?
 \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_no

5. Do you understand and accept that changing a dog's environment may cause the dog to have accidents, especially in the early days of the adoption? \_ yes \_\_\_no

6. If a behavioral problem arises, what steps will you take to work on it?

7. Does any member of the family have any allergies to animals? \_\_yes \_ no

8. If yes, please explain:

9. For whom are you adopting the dog? \_\_self \_\_gift

10. Have you ever owned a pet before? \_\_yes \_\_no

If yes, what kinds of animal(s) and when?

11. Which of these pets do you still own?

12. Please describe any pets you still own, in as much detail as possible (type, age, sex, etc.)

13. Is/are the animal(s) spayed/neutered? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

14. Which pets do you no longer own?

15. What happened to him/her/them?

16. Were they spayed/neutered? \_\_yes \_\_no

17. Have you ever given any of your animals away for any reason? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no If yes, please explain the reason(s):

18. What do you consider a good and valid reason for giving up a dog?

19. What is the name and phone number of the veterinary hospital where your animal(s) has/have received care and vaccinations?

20. Do you have a different vet in mind for your new pet? \_\_yes \_\_no

If yes, please specify, and kindly say why you are changing vets.

21. What kind of veterinary care do you intend to provide?

22. Have you done or do you intend to do any reading in preparation for a new dog? Please specify:

23. Will you consider obedience training for your dog? \_\_yes \_\_no

24. Do you have any experience with obedience training? If so, please specify: No

25. Would you be willing to obtain a crate if recommended for the dog? \_\_yes \_\_no

26. How many people currently reside in your household? \_\_\_\_

27. Are there children in your household? \_\_yes \_\_no If yes, what are their ages?

Do they have experience handling animals? \_\_yes \_\_no

If yes, please explain:

28. Do children frequently visit your home? \_\_yes \_\_no

- Is everyone equally enthusiastic about adopting a dog? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no
  Please explain:
- 30. How would you describe the activity level in your household?
- 31. Who will be responsible for feeding the dog and taking him/her outside?
- 32. In the absence of the primary caretaker, who will take care of the dog?
- 33. Do you own or rent your residence? \_\_own \_\_rent

34. If you rent, what is the name of the landlord and the phone number? Are pets allowed? \_\_yes \_\_no

35. Do you live in a:

\_\_\_\_\_Single family home

\_\_\_\_Duplex

\_\_\_\_\_Townhouse

\_\_\_\_Mobile home

\_\_\_\_Condominium

\_\_\_\_Apartment

\_\_\_\_Other (please explain):

36. Are there any restrictions or covenants where you live?

\_\_yes \_\_\_no

If yes, please list them:

37. Do you have a fenced yard? \_\_yes \_\_no

38. If yes, how high is the fence?

-- What type of fence is it?

-- Any holes or gaps or weak areas?

-- If you do not have a fence, do you plan to get one? \_\_yes \_\_no

-- If so, when?

--If not, why not?

39. Would you walk/exercise a dog on or off-leash or both?

40. Where will the dog be kept? \_\_indoors only \_\_outdoors only \_\_both in/out (explain):

41. How much time will the dog spend outdoors?

Explain:

42. Will anyone be home during the day? \_\_yes \_\_no

How many hours will the dog be left unattended?

- 43. When you are home, where will the dog be kept?
- 44. When no one is home, where will the dog be kept?
- 45. Where will the dog sleep?

46. Will you keep a collar, with a tag bearing your name and number, on your dog at all times? \_\_\_\_yes

\_\_\_no

- 47. How often do you travel?
- 48. What will you do with the dog when you travel?
- 49. What will you do with the dog if you move/change housing?

50. Are you or your spouse with the military? \_\_yes \_\_no

- 51. Have you ever bred or raised dogs? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_no
- 52. Please estimate the annual cost of the following:
- -- Premium Food (Many Cockers have food allergies)

-- Grooming (Every 6-8 weeks, minimum) \$\_\_\_\_

-- Vet Care (including necessary shots, heartworm preventative , ear, eye and teeth maintenance)

-- Extras (Toys, treats, beds, bowls, leash, collar, id tag)

53. Are you able to comfortably provide the estimated care, and are you prepared for possible other costs, in addition to your estimation? (Examples: sickness, accidents, emergency care). \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

54. Are you aware and do you accept that the Charlotte Cocker Rescue requires that all dogs and cats in the household be spayed/neutered and current on vaccines before an adoption of a Charlotte Cocker Rescue dog can take place? \_ \_yes \_\_no

55. Are you aware and do you accept that the Charlotte Cocker Rescue requires a non-refundable adoption fee of \$400 for our dogs ages 4 yrs. and older and all puppies adoption fee is \$500 for 3 yrs. and under? yes no

56. The average Cocker Spaniel has a lifespan of 12 to 15 years. Are you willing to make a commitment to this dog for the rest of his/her life? yes no

57. If this is a long distance adoption, are you willing to:

- \_\_\_Travel to get the dog (by plane or car or both?)
- \_\_\_Pay for the costs of transportation.
- \_\_Meet somewhere along the way.
- \_\_\_Unable/Unwilling to travel or assume costs.

58. If, for any reason, you are unable to keep your dog, do you agree to notify Charlotte Cocker Rescue immediately? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

59. If you are unable to keep your dog, do you agree to return him/her to Charlotte Cocker Rescue without hesitation? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

60. If this is a long distance adoption, and you are unable to keep your dog, are you willing to assume the responsibility, including travel and financial responsibility, for returning the dog to Charlotte Cocker Rescue?

\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no 61. Please list any preferences you have in adopting a dog (age, sex, breed, personality, etc.):

I have read the above information carefully and have filled out this application honestly. I understand that omission of information and/or failure to answer all questions and sign the application can result in this application being declined. Also, if an omission or untruth is discovered after an adoption takes place, I understand and accept that the Charlotte Cocker Rescue has the right to annul the adoption and reclaim the dog.

I give the Charlotte Cocker Rescue permission to fully investigate the information provided as well as contact veterinarians and related officials. If the application passes this review, I agree to a home and yard visit on a mutually agreed date by a Charlotte Cocker Rescue representative before an adoption decision is made.

Furthermore, I understand and accept that the adoption decision depends upon many factors, including -but not limited to -- the compatibility of the family and home to the individual dog and other applications received on the dog. I understand and accept that it is the Charlotte Cocker Rescue prerogative to decide which home is most appropriate for the individual dog, and therefore I will not take issue with the decision. Unless otherwise indicated by the Charlotte Cocker Rescue, I may be considered for another dog.

## All adoption fees are to be paid in cash unless prior arrangements have been made.

Signature:

Printed Full Name:

Date: